## The Boll Weevil Peril

Other Southern Countries Are Preparing to Take Advantage of the American Calamity.

Washington, January N.—(Staff Correspondence.)—One of the most valuable contributions that has yet been made to conficulty the special submitted on the formation regarding the ranges of the Mexican boil weevil is the special submitted to help stamped the special submitted to help stamped the formation regarding the range of the Mexican boil weevil is the special submitted to help stamped the special submitted for the vast lightly in submitted to help stamped the stamp of the formation of the formation of the special submitted for the special submitted for the submitted in all parts of the vast lightly in submitted in an applied that he submitted in the submitted in the formation of the submitted in the formation of the submitted in the submitte orday last. In this speech Mr. Sisyden

its crossed the Rie Grande into Texas about 1892-03. At first it made slow progress and did little damage, the reason being that at the point of attack there were few plantations of cotton and that the climatic conditions

ditions were unpropitious.

The boil weevil does not prosper in very but and dry weather, and that is what it found in Cameron, Hidnigo and Duval counties in Terms. Three years later, having crossed a large intervening space where there is little farming of any sort, it reached the counties of Hee, Karnes, Wilson, Gusselland, Space with the profit of supplying counties of Hee, Karnes, Wilson, Gusselland, Space with their raw managements and the profit of supplying counties of Hee, Karnes, Wilson, Gusselland, Space with their raw managements.

in 1808 it reached Bastrop, Lee and other counties bordering on the great central black and cotton region.

At first, as a base aiready such the progress of the weed was not rapid. That was due to the comparatice infrequency of rotton plantarious in south, recase and to the effect of the hot, fir seminary, but when it got into the news assume regions of South Central Torge, where it has easily expended to another it vraveled nover rapidly. How much more rapidly it moved under lavorable conditions of greater inmidity and more general cultivation can be seen that how only Red river separates it from Arkansas and the Indian Pertiony.

All friends who represent the States of Arkansas, Louisiana and Messaippi may well tremble at the prospect. When this insect gets into the Mississippi walley, where the growth of the cotton stalk is so rank and the foliage so heavy that the ground is always shaded while the rop is ground is always shaded while four he impossible to combat it. The fear is shared by the secretary of speculation and he has determined to make a heroic offert to provent so great a diseaser to the country. The weavil is how in the very heart of the cotton-growing region of The world.

In Hot the boil wearld countries in Texas produced 451,810 bales less than in 1000, and the crop of 1800 was much less than that of 1800 in the same territory. But of course this decrease was not one to the ravages of the insect slone. There were foods and drouths to contend with size. However, it is safe to say that two-trids of that decrease was not one to the work of the weetl. More than \$0,000,000 worth of cotton was certainly destroyed by them during the year of 1801. The loss was very much greater during the year of 1802. The Texas cotton crop and its by-products of seed, meal and ell is worth \$150.

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The Texas cotton crop and its by-products of seed, meal, and all is worth \$150.00,000 a year, and it is most seriously imperiled right now. To help save it this

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Mr. M. D. Monservais, Vice Provident and

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the little government of Venesuels is only a political counterpart of that between Englished and German cotton spinners. Both are almost at America and Americans.

Correspondence between the British Cotton Growing association of Oldham and the Colonial Economy committee of Berlin shows the understanding between the German and English spinners who have the common purpose of finding cutton plantations elsewhere than in North America.

I could submit further cifictions to show that in all parts of the vast British cutton pice where the climate is not a positive barries intelligent men, backed by nit the resources of a powerful government are try by hy to this mine means a possitive transfer.

Martetta, I. T., appeared in 1800, damage 5 per cent: Berwin, appeared in 1800, damage 5 per cent: Berwin, appeared in 1800, damage insignificant.

Routhern Division.—Agents report from thirty stations, all but one (Maridian) showing the presence of the weard. The exilest occurrence noted was at Resembers, South Texas, in 1807, and the latest of McGregor, Central Texas, in 1802. Estimates of damage rary from 5 per cent at the point of latest occurrence to 75 per cent at the point of latest occurrence to 75 per cent at Wallis and a few other stations. Resument Division. Twenty-one station age of from 20 to 90 per cent.

Westherford Branch. Three stations reported. One reports a damage of 20 per cent, one 20 per cent and one that the weetl has not appeared.

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STATIONS BETWEEN HOUSTON AND SAN ANTONIO.

	Has boll weer peared in country? When did it appear?		Proportion o	edy discovered or applied?	Onthoos for erop and increase of waevil.	Remarks.	
Missouri City	Yea	1809	Per cent 30	None	Weather conditions	Cloudy weather more favorable.	
Sarturtia	Yes	1808	50	None	Crop will be de-		
Richmond	Yes	1800	25	Noge	Biroyed entirely.	Early planting and picking of puncture	
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Lacoste	Yes Yes	1898	10 e10	None.	Discouraging		

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